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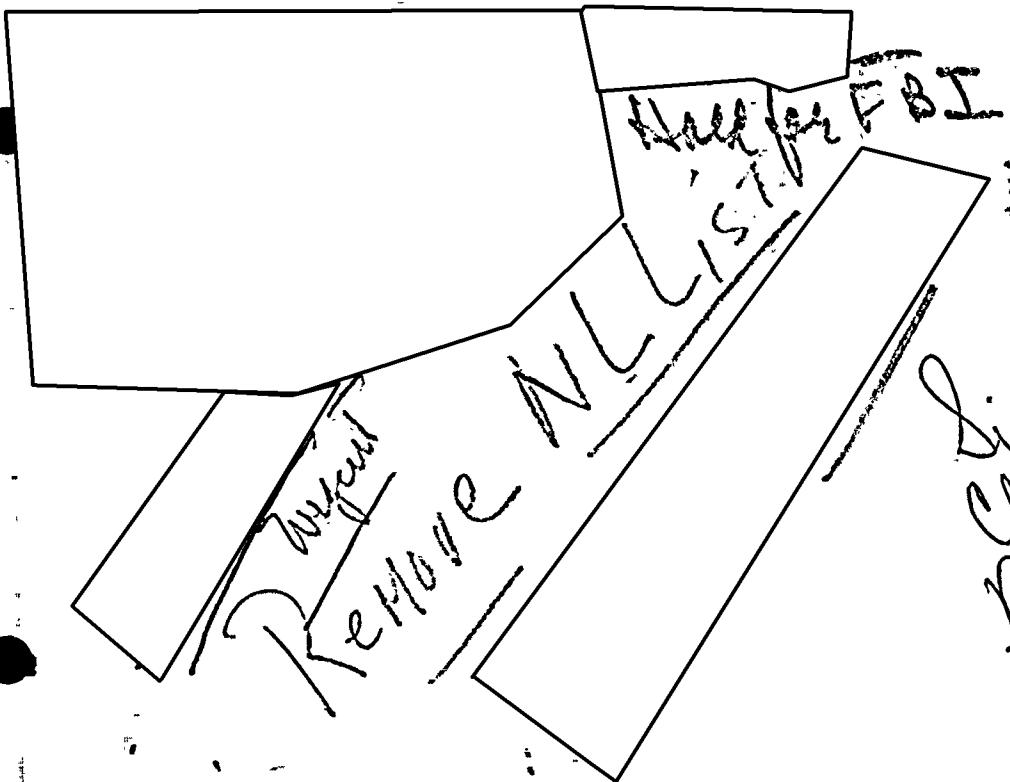
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Sidney R. Yates
Chicago District Office
Room 1826, Federal Bldg.
219 S. Dearborn St.
Chicago, Ill. 60604

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File No. 9-6443-191Date Received 3/17/75From _____
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)b6
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Rutherford
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

By _____

To Be Returned Yes
 NoReceipt given Yes
 No

Description:

*Interrogation; advice
of Rights.
Interview log.*

Person interviewed : *Log* [redacted]

Date of interview : 3/17/75

Place of interview : [redacted]

Interviewing agents : [redacted] & Robert E. Stark

12²³/_{PM} Leikheimer furnished an "Interrogation;
aice of Rights" form to read.

12³⁰/_{PM} [redacted] signed waiver.

12⁵⁰/_{PM} Interview terminated.

Robert E. Stark, Sa., FBI, Chicago, Illinois 3/17/75.

SA, FBI, Chicago, Ill. 3/17/75

INTERROGATION; ADVICE OF RIGHTS

YOUR RIGHTS

Place Chicago, Illinois
 Date 3/17/75
 Time 12:30 pm.

Before we ask you any questions, you must understand your rights.

You have the right to remain silent..

Anything you say can be used against you in court.

You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have him with you during questioning.

If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you wish.

If you decide to answer questions now without a lawyer present, you will still have the right to stop answering at any time. You also have the right to stop answering at any time until you talk to a lawyer.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS

I have read this statement of my rights and I understand what my rights are. I am willing to make a statement and answer questions. I do not want a lawyer at this time. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me.

Signed 

Witness: Robert E. Shantz, Jr., FBI, Chicago, Illinois

Witness: _____

Time: 12:30 pm.

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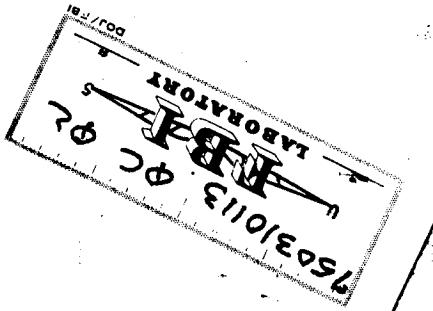
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Description:

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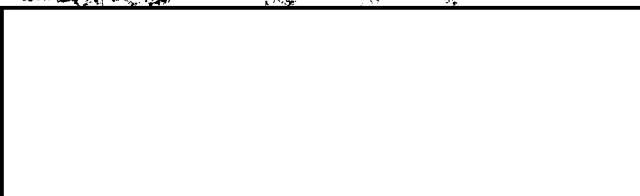
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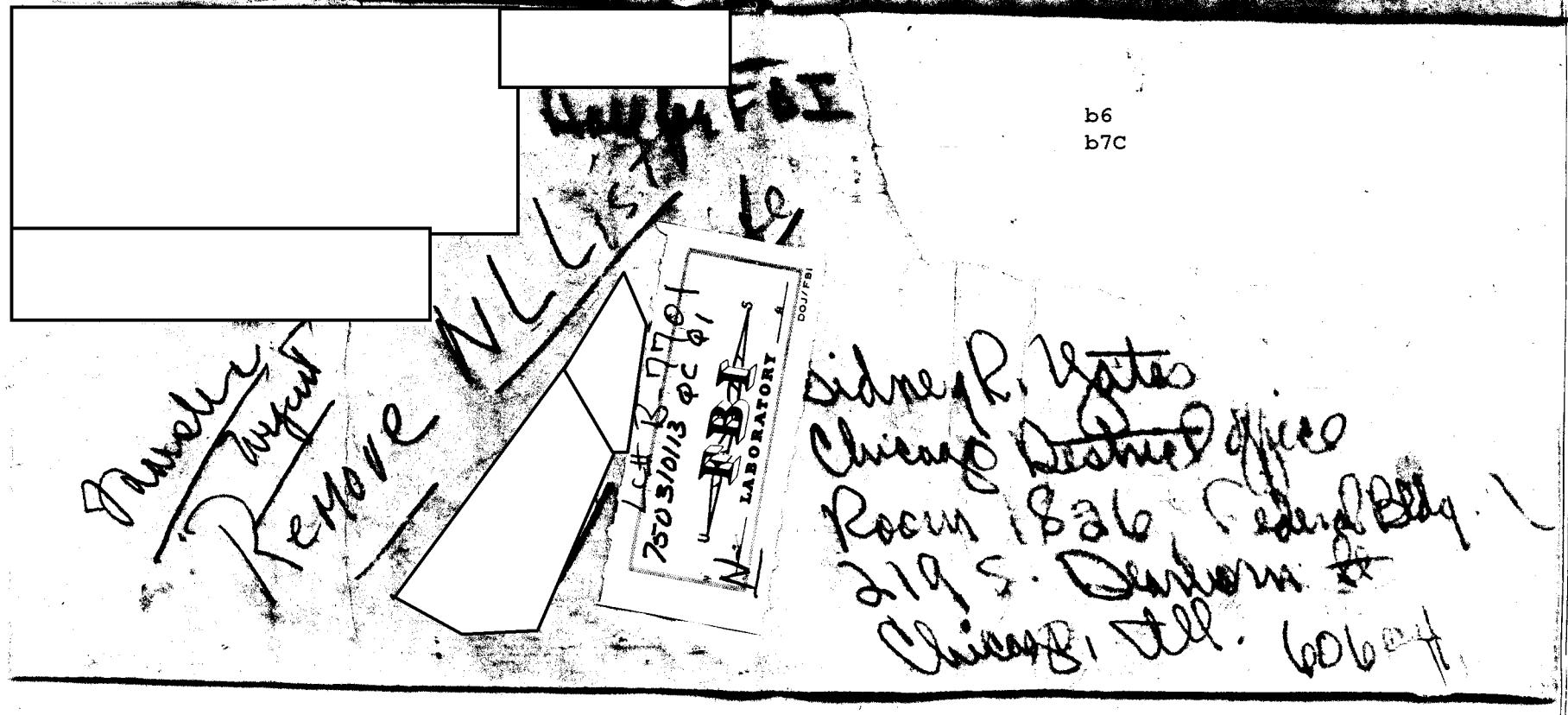
Dear Mr. [redacted]

While it is my desire to write ten pages,
and more, of your conditions to fit into one,
had since the country was in the grip of
the depression. Of course there is a great
difference bordering on the tragic.
With so many men employed and more
needed, I feel the present, staged letter
the present and future have accomplished nothing
in the last six months, things are getting worse
by the day. People will have to wait a long
time before things get back on their feet again.
Yours,

James [redacted] is reported and
should be available for you
you are a public and very little is nothing
done, so much as will be done
as far as possible
I am glad to report that the body of work
to be done is not so large as was thought

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Dear Mr. Gates:

~~About a year ago I wrote you about how many of your constituents felt what a bad shape the country was in and of their discouragement. Of course things have only gotten worse, bordering on the tragic.~~

With as many Unemployed Underemployed
Needy, I feel this ~~stupid~~, ~~stupid~~, better.
The President and Congress have accomplished nothing
in the last six months, things are getting worse
by the day. People in Need have to wait six weeks
for food stamps, welfare or their Unemployment
checks.

~~Communist Party should have been disbanded and
reformed to let structure integrity flaws app.
You are a failure and our system is nothing but
the fusions of Chinese and American political~~

Assassination Now, I believe Violence is the Only Answer.
Assassination of Presidents And Congressmen Would
be a God-Send

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO (9-3631)(P) (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

UNSUB, aka [redacted]

Threatening Letter to Representative Sidney R. Yates, Dated 2/23/75 - VICTIM
EXT (OO:CG)

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Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and three Xerox copies of a threatening letter addressed to Representative SIDNEY R. YATES, written 2/23/75.

Enclosed for Chicago are two copies of letter.

The threat consists of "Now I believe violence is the only answer, assassination of executives and Congressmen would be a God send."

The Bureau has instructed that this matter must receive vigorous and continuous attention until fully resolved. A summary teletype, from the Office of Origin, must reach the Bureau by Close of Business (COB) 3/28/75, immediately followed by an LHM, from the Office of Origin, suitable for dissemination.

This material was received on 3/5/75 from [redacted]
[redacted] Secretary to Representative YATES, Room 2234,
Rayburn Building. U.S. Secret Service (USSS) has made a

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check of their name and visual files of previously submitted letters with negative results.

USSS is not conducting an investigation to further identify the unknown subject so that it can be determined if he is a danger to government dignitaries protected by them.

On 3/5/75, SA [redacted] advised the following individuals of the threat:

Deputy Chief [redacted] U.S. Capitol Police, WDC;
SA [redacted] USSS, Liaison Division, WDC;
Officer [redacted] Intelligence Division,
MPD, WDC.

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Laboratory Division is requested to search this material through the Anonymous Letter File and conduct other appropriate examination. Lab furnish results expeditiously to Office of Origin.

Identification Division is requested to process material for latent fingerprints. Furnish results expeditiously to the Office of Origin.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1) Present to USA for prosecutive opinion.

- 2) Notify local authorities and local USSS office.
- 3) Submit summary teletype to Bureau by COB 3/28/75, immediately followed by LHM (or report if appropriate) suitable for dissemination. Ensure WFO furnished copy so USSS Headquarters may be advised if USA authorizes.
- 4) Consider interview if found to be true name.

WASHINGTON FIELD

WFO 9-3631

AT WASHINGTON, D.C. Telephonically notify USSS of prosecutive opinion of USA upon receipt of same from Office of Origin.

If subject identified and found emotionally disturbed, furnish data in order same may be disseminated to USSS for computer print out section maintained by them.

For the information of Bureau and Chicago Office, it might be noted the stamp and cancellation mark have been torn off by the Representative's Office.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 3/20/75

[redacted] was contacted at his place of residence.

[redacted] on March 17, 1975. [redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents Robert E. Hartz and [redacted] and the nature of the investigation - Extortion. [redacted] was furnished a printed form titled "Interrogation; Advice of Rights". [redacted] read his rights, stated he fully understood them and signed a Waiver of Rights.

He was exhibited a xerox copy of the envelope and letter received by Representative YATES and immediately acknowledged having sent the letter to Representative YATES. He explained he had been [redacted]

[redacted] for a period of one year. His employment was terminated [redacted] because of a cut back in personnel prompted by a loss of [redacted]. He was unable to secure other employment in Indianapolis and returned to Chicago, his place of birth. He resides with his widowed mother who is seriously ill. He applied for unemployment compensation and for undetermined reasons was unable to get compensation for a period of 2½ months. During this same period his mother's Social Security checks were also delayed. He made numerous inquiries to the State Unemployment Division but "got the run around". To date, he has not been able to find employment. He was extremely depressed because of his unemployment status, inability to obtain unemployment compensation and the fact that his mother is seriously ill. It was while he was depressed that he wrote the letter to Representative YATES. He stated he realizes the letter was immature and foolish on his part; however, he thought the letter would provoke a response from Representative YATES. He emphasized that he had no intention of harming anyone and was sorry if the letter had caused any inconvenience to Representative YATES.

[redacted] was asked if he had ever received [redacted] and he replied that he had been to a [redacted] however, [redacted]

Interviewed on 3/17/75 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 9-6443-4

by SAs ROBERT E. HARTZ

REH/prk

Date dictated

3/20/75

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[redacted]
[redacted] He denied ever having been arrested.

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex
Race
Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Military Service
Scars & Marks

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[redacted]



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
March 20, 1975.In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CG 9-6443

[REDACTED] THREATENING
LETTER TO REPRESENTATIVE SIDNEY R.
YATES DATED FEBRUARY 23, 1975 -
VICTIM. EXTORTION

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The original of the following xerox letter and envelope were received on March 5, 1975, from [REDACTED] Secretary to Representative Sidney R. Yates, Room 2234, Rayburn Building. The United States Secret Service (USSS) has made a check of their name and vision files of previously submitted letters with negative results.

USSS is not conducting an investigation to further identify subject so that it can be determined if he is a danger to Government dignitaries protected by them.

On March 5, 1975, Special Agent [REDACTED] advised the following individuals of the threat:

Deputy Chief [REDACTED] United States
Capital Police, Washington, D.C.

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Special Agent [REDACTED] USSS, Liaison
Division, Washington, D.C.

Officer [REDACTED] Intelligence
Division, Metro Police Department,
Washington, D.C.

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[redacted] THREATENING
LETTER TO REPRESENTATIVE SIDNEY R.
YATES DATED FEBRUARY 23, 1975 -
VICTIM. EXTORTION

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[redacted] was contacted at his place
of residence.

[redacted] on March 17, 1975. [redacted]
was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents
Robert E. Hartz and [redacted] and the nature of the in-
vestigation - Extortion. [redacted] was furnished a printed
form titled "Interrogation; Advice of Rights". [redacted]
read his rights, stated he fully understood them and signed
a Waiver of Rights.

He was exhibited a xerox copy of the envelope and
letter received by Representative Yates and immediately ac-
knowledged having sent the letter to Representative Yates.
He explained he had been [redacted]

[redacted] for
a period of one year. His employment was terminated January
15, 1975, because of a cut back in personnel prompted by a
loss [redacted]. He was unable to secure other
employment in Indianapolis and returned to Chicago, his place
of birth. He resides with his widowed mother who is seriously
ill. He applied for unemployment compensation and for un-
determined reasons was unable to get compensation for a period
of 2½ months. During this same period his mother's Social
Security checks were also delayed. He made numerous inquiries
to the State Unemployment Division but "got the run around".
To date, he has not been able to find employment. He was ex-
tremely depressed because of his unemployment status, inability
to obtain unemployment compensation and the fact that his
mother is seriously ill. It was while he was depressed that
he wrote the letter to Representative Yates. He stated he
realizes the letter was immature and foolish on his part;
however, he thought the letter would provoke a response from
Representative Yates. He emphasized that he had no intention
of harming anyone and was sorry if the letter had caused any
inconvenience to Representative Yates.

[redacted] was asked if he had ever received
[redacted] and he replied that he had been to a
[redacted] however, [redacted]

[redacted] He denied ever having been arrested.

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[REDACTED] THREATENING.

LETTER TO REPRESENTATIVE SIDNEY R.
YATES DATED FEBRUARY 23, 1975. -
VICTIM. EXTORTION

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The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex
Race
Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Military Service
Scars and Marks

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On March 17, 1975, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, was advised of the facts in this matter. [REDACTED] advised prosecution of [REDACTED] for violation of the Federal Extortion Statute would be declined as [REDACTED] was obviously in a depressed state of mind when he wrote the letter, apparently having no criminal intent. He further stated the threat was vague in nature.

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On March 18, 1975, the following individuals were advised of the threatening letter received by Representative Yates:

Sergeant [REDACTED] Area 1 General Assignment, Chicago Police Department

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Special Agent [REDACTED] USSS, Chicago, Illinois

3/20/75

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (9-6443)
SUBJECT: CHANGED

[REDACTED]
THREATENING LETTER TO
REPRESENTATIVE SIDNEY R. YATES
DATED 2/23/75 - VICTIM
EXTORTION

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Title changed to disclose identity of subject
[REDACTED] Title previously carried as "UNSUB,
aka [REDACTED].

Re WFO airtel to the Bureau dated 3/6/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and four
and for WFO one copy of an LHM disclosing results of investi-
gation in this matter.

AUSA's opinion being confirmed by separate
communication.

3-Bureau (Encl. 5)
1-WFO (9-3631) (Encl. 1) (INFO)
① Chicago
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219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604
March 21, 1975

Mr. James R. Thompson
United States Attorney
Department of Justice
Fifteenth Floor - South
Everett Mc Kinley Dirksen Building
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Attention: Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA)

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Re: [redacted]

Threatening Letter to
Representative Sidney
R. Yates Dated 2/23/75 -
Victim. Extortion

Dear [redacted]

Attached is a self-explanatory memorandum which
will confirm conversation between Special Agent Robert E.
Hartz and AUSA [redacted] on March 17, 1975, at which
time [redacted] advised prosecution of [redacted]
for violation of Federal Extortion Statute would be declined.

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Very truly yours,

REH/prk

RICHARD G. HELD
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-3631

March 21, 1975

FBI FILE NO.

LATENT CASE NO. B-7701

TO: SAC, WFC

UNSUB., AKA

RE: THREATENING LETTER TO
REPRESENTATIVE SIDNEY R. YATES
DATED 2-23-75 - VICTIM
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 3-6-75
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: WFO
SPECIMENS: Q1, envelope
Q2, sheet of paper

Listed Q specimens further described in a separate
Laboratory report.

Six latent fingerprints and one latent palm print
developed on envelope, Q1. No latent prints of value developed
on Q2.

Latent fingerprints not identical fingerprints of [redacted]
[redacted] born [redacted] fingerprinted on 8-30-62 by
PD, Chicago, Illinois.

Specimens enclosed.

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② - Chicago

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Washington Field Office (9-3631) March 20, 1975

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO. D-750310113 QC

Re: UNSUB. aka [redacted]

[redacted] Threatening Letter
 to Representative Sidney R. Yates, Dated 2/23/75 -
 Victim;
 Extortion

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Specimens received 3/7/75

Q1 Envelope bearing the handwritten address, "Sidney R. Yates Chicago District office Room 1826, Federal Bldg. 219 S. Dearborn St Chicago, Ill. 60604"

Q2 Sheet of ruled paper bearing the handwritten message, "About a year ago I wrote you about how many of your Constituents felt..."

Result of examination:

Q1 and Q2 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File with negative results. Representative photographs of these items have been added to this file.

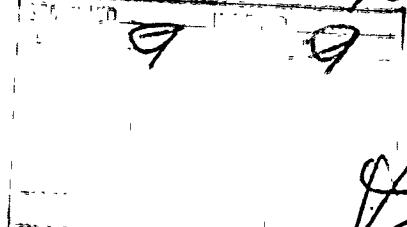
No indented writing of value, watermarks, or other extraneous marks of value were noted on the submitted specimens that would aid in determining their origin.

Because of limited comparable handwriting and a few unexplained handwriting variations, it was not definitely concluded whether the questioned writing on Q1 and Q2 was or was not authored by [redacted]

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Chicago Police Department, Bureau of Identification
number PL - 8 - 30 - 62, whose known handwriting
consists of one fingerprint card signature.

Q1 and Q2 have been photographed and are
being returned separately.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Washington Field Office (9-3631) March 20, 1975

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

D-750310113-QC

Re: UNSUB, aka [redacted]

[redacted] Threatening Letter
to Representative Sidney R. Yates, Dated 2/23/75 -
Victim;
Extortion
OO: Chicago

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Examination requested by: Washington Field Office

Reference: Airtel dated 3/6/75.

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

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Remarks:

Q1 and Q2 are being returned with the
result of the latent fingerprint examination.

For your investigative information,
similarities were noted in the [redacted]
signatures on Q1 and Q2 and the known handwriting of
[redacted] Chicago Police Department, Bureau
of Identification number PL - 8 - 30 - 62, which suggest
[redacted] may have written the questioned signatures.

If [redacted] is interviewed and further
examination in this matter is desired, it is suggested
that numerous dictated handwriting exemplars be obtained
using the same exact wording and format as that of
the questioned items.

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[redacted] fingerprint card reflects the
following information:

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Name: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]
Occupation: [REDACTED]
Scars and Marks: None
Amputations: None
Place of Birth: [REDACTED]
Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Arrests: [REDACTED]

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YOUR FILE NO. 9-3631

March 21, 1975

FBI FILE NO.

LATENT CASE NO. B-7701

TO: SAC, WFO,

UNSUB. AKA [redacted]

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on Q2.Latent fingerprints not identical fingerprints of [redacted]
[redacted] born [redacted] in Illinois, fingerprinted on 8-30-62 by
PD, Chicago, Illinois.b6
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Specimens enclosed.

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Enc. (2)

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C. M. Kelley
 Clarence M. Kelley, Director

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago (9-6443)

DATE: 7/1/76

FROM : SAC, Washington Field Office

RE: FILE DESTRUCTION PROGRAM

SUBJECT: Unsub, akab6
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[Redacted] Threatening letter to
 Representative Sidney R. Yates, dated 2/23/75 -
 Victim; Extortion

ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. DO NOT BLOCK STAMP.

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Enclosed are 3 items of evidentiary nature. These items are forwarded your office since you were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

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